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## **2015 HARC OFFICERS**

PRESIDENT: DON VARY, KDØHHN -- V-PRES: ED TURNER, NØWNV TREASURER: LARRY LAUER, WB2UFO

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# <u>NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING</u>: Wednesday – May 13, 2015 at 7:30 PM

Beth Haven Pleasant View 641 Euclid Avenue Hannibal, Mo 63401

Enter at the main entrance, turn left to the elevator. Take the elevator to the second floor, and the club's meeting room is directly across the hallway. See map directions on HARC website.



## **MONDAY NIGHT WEEKLY NET CALL LIST - MAY 2015**

# FCC VE TEST DATES FOR YEAR OF 2015

## JULY 8th, OCTOBER 14th

Exams will take place at 8:30 PM after the regular scheduled HARC meeting. The exam session will be at the Beth Haven Pleasant View, 641 Euclid Avenue Hannibal, Mo 63401. Registration is required at least 72 hours before the exam session by contacting the team liaison, Fred Miller- KB0WIL at kb0wil@arrl.net or 573-221-2429.

The 2014 test fee will be unchanged at \$15.00. It goes to ARRL/VEC. Bring a photo ID (or two non-photo ID's); if currently licensed, bring the original and a photocopy of your valid FCC license; and if you are claiming credit for successful completion of an exam, bring the original and photocopy of any applicable CSCE's.

VE Testing Sessions as of April 20th, 2015

Looks like Cliff, will be hard to catch.

**K0CA** (Cliff Ahrens) 87

**K0UBR** (Oral L Barnes) 9

**WB2UFO** (Lawrence H Lauer) 8

**KB0WIL** (Frederick N Miller) 27

**WB0WAP** (Bonnie Sinclair) 11

**W0AJD** (Joseph D Sinclair) 13

**NOWNV** (Edward D Turner) 47

#### **HARC CLUB DUES**:

HARC annual dues are due each January. The dues are very important and are needed to keep repeaters up and running, plus other expenses of the club. The yearly dues fee is \$20.00 per member, & \$5.00 for each additional family member. You can pay at club meetings, or send the money to HARC, P.O. Box 1522 Hannibal Mo, 63401.

Thanks!!



# HARC MINUTES FOR APRIL 2015 MEETING



Respectfully submitted by Dave Milam KB0RZN

Hannibal Amateur Radio Club Monthly Meeting Minutes April 08, 2015

Don (KD0HHN) opened the meeting at 7:30pm with 22 people present including 2 guests. After introductions, Don asked for proposals for membership. Richard Hartwig (KE0CZU) stated he was interested in joining the club. Cliff (K0CA) made a motion to approve his membership. Ed (N0WNV) seconded, and the motion carried. Welcome to Richard, our newest member.

Don (KD0HHN) asked if everyone read the minutes from the March meeting, and asked for any changes, additions, or corrections. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Cliff (K0CA) made a motion to approve and it was seconded by Howard (K0DFW). The motion carried. Bonnie (WB0WAP) mentioned that anyone wanting to place anything in the newsletter may do so. Please submit items to Bonnie, Don (KD0HHN) or Fred (KB0WIL) prior to the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month newsletter deadline. Items may be of interest to amateurs, or possibly items to buy or sell.

## **Treasurer's** report:

Larry (WB2UFO) reported last month's ending balance was \$1,607.87, and this month's ending balance was \$1,750.87. The CD balance was \$1,319.34 making the total assets \$3,070.21 as of March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Chet (W0CCR) and seconded by Steve (KD0YTH). The motion carried.

#### **Repeaters:**

Don (KD0HHN) and Fred (KB0WIL) reported that both repeaters seem to be operating with no problems.

### **Unfinished Business:**

Don (KD0HHN) reported that Rep. Sam Graves has signed on as a co-sponsor to House Resolution 1301. According to the ARRL, it has been deferred to the House Energy Commerce Committee and awaiting for them to take action. Don explained that this HR deals with allowing the installation of antennas within reason at locations that have restrictions such as home deed restrictions and covenants. Cliff (K0CA) suggested anyone living in Rep. Graves' District send him a note thanking him for signing on as a co-sponsor. Don asked Dave (KB0RZN) as Secretary, to send a thank you note from the Club.

Don mentioned the Technician training class. He reported at least two people were interested and we have two members that want to test for General. Don has the paperwork submitted to the Library to use a classroom and is waiting for approval. We are probably looking at a Saturday format in June to coincide with Field Day to possibly spark more interest.

Last month John Simon did a presentation on the Severe Weather Seminar in Quincy. Don (KD0HHN), Larry (WB2UFO), Ann (KB9BAL), Ed (K9WAY) and Luan (KA9WAY) all attended, and they reported a very good presentation. They are planning to make it an annual event and it is already scheduled for April 2<sup>nd</sup> 2016.

#### **New Business:**

Field Day is the 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> of June (the last full weekend of the month). Don had a meeting with Steve St. Clair (KD0UVU) and Jean McWright with the Health Department to discuss plans. Due to liability and HIPA concerns, the Health Departments wants only licensed operators to stay overnight on premise. They will try to have someone with the Health Department onsite during the event.

We plan on operating as 2F like we did last year. Cliff (K0CA) stated that N1MM Logger has been replaced by N1MM Plus. Discussion followed about whether it will run on XP or needs Windows 7. We also need to sign up some additional CW operators. The Club will again have a dinner Saturday evening. Please bring a dish to share. The Club will furnish hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks.

### 50/50:

The 50/50 was won by Dave (KB0RZN) and it was donated back to the Club.

A motion to adjourn was made by Howard (K0DFW), and it was seconded by Ed (N0WNV). The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.





First, I would like to offer my condolences to Mike Nowak and his family on the recent passing of his wife Arylce, NA9Q. I know that she had been having some health issues, including some recent strokes. Mike and family, you are all in our thoughts.

Next, I would like to congratulate the three new Technicians and one new General who passed the testing at this month's session. Congratulations and hope to hear you all on the air soon. As far as the class here is concerned, I have submitted the paperwork to the library and am waiting to hear from them, and I have started putting informational flyers around town and will be putting some up in Palmyra too. I have asked Rich Enochs and Larry to put flyers up in Monroe City and New London, respectively, so hopefully we will be getting some replies and a class started. I am tentatively scheduling the class for the 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, and 20<sup>th</sup> of June and also planning to have the students help with Field Day to give them some experience in setting up radios and getting them on the air with the GOTA station, and having them test at our July session. If you know of anyone who might be interested, have them contact me. Also if anyone is interested in helping teach the course, let me know and I can send you a copy of the instructor outline so you can see what it would involve. Also, I have a couple of Techs who want to upgrade to General, so we will be doing a piggy-back course for them as well.

Got an email from John Simon today, the annual Bridge the Gap run will be held on May 16<sup>th</sup>. They are looking for about 20 operators to help man stations. I helped with the event last year, and it was good practice for a net and special event. Anyone interested, let me know and I'll get you the particulars.

Well, guess that's all for this month. Hope everyone is well, and catch you down the log.

73 Don

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DX News and Notes, BY LARRY LAUER, WB2UFO







Hello crowd. I know you have been sitting on the edge of your shack chairs just waiting for the DX news but this month I am going to start with a few that are not difficult DX spots to hit. They are interesting special events in far off places with a twist. Take a look at this first one from Denmark. If you have no plans for May 17<sup>th</sup> give this a try.

OZ150, DENMARK. Members of the Eksperimenterende Danske Radioamatører (EDR - Denmark's IARU Society) will activate OZ150ITU on May 17th, to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the International Telecommunications Union (ITU). The activity will take place from many different QTHs in Denmark and the different operators will get a unique secondary suffix to the callsign. The secondary suffix will be /xx where xx is a number between 10 and 99. Activity will be on 160m, 80m, 40m, 20m, 15m, and 10m bands using CW, SSB and Digital modes. You can achieve a special Award by contacting different OZ150ITU/xx operators and the rules are available http://www.grz.com/db/oz150itu QSL via OZ0J. All QSOs will be registered with the callsign OZ150ITU (without /xx) in LoTW, eQSL and ClubLog. To get their paper QSL card, they prefer that you use the OQRS to order your QSL card instead of sending your paper QSL card to them. You can also request direct QSL via OQRS. The price is USDs 4.00 for a direct QSL card no matter how many QSOs you have worked with OZ150ITU. If you have any question do not hesitate to contact their EVENT Manager OZ1BII.

The next interesting special event I found involves the Austrian Alps. Keep May 22 through May 24 open for this one.

OE, AUSTRIA (Special Event). Members of the "Wild Mountain DX Group" are proud to announce their first activation of OE5XWM/p which will take place between May 22-24th. Operators mentioned are Edwin/OE5POP (SSB), Alex/OE1DXU (SSB), Peter/OE5PSO (SSB, PSK31), Erich/OE5EVM (CW) and David/OE5DFL (technical support). Activity will be on 80-10 meters with some "power" at 1600m ASL from the Austrian Alps, using 2 double bazookas and vertical antennas. QSL via OE5POP, direct or by the Bureau. NO eQSLs.

# Now on to the real DX new you have been waiting for.

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MONACO. Operators Emanuele/IU2CIQ, Lorenzo/IZ1UJE and Andrea/IZ1ZHG will be active as 3A/IU2CIQ between June 5-7th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using mainly SSB, but some CW and RTTY. QSL 3A/IU2CIQ via IU2CIQ by the Bureau, IZ1UJE direct or LoTW.

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- NIGER. Chris, F4WBN/TL0A, will once again be active as 5U5U from Niger between May 30th and June 16th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-6 meters using SSB and some RTTY. QSL via his home callsign direct.
- 9H Goran, S55OO will be active as 9H3OO from Malta (EU-023) from 24
   April to 2 May. He will operate holiday style on 40-6 metres CW,
   SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW and eQSL. [TNX S55OO]
- CY0 Aaron, VA1AXC is once again active as CY0/VA1AXC from Sable Island (NA-063) "until around the first week of June". In his limited spare time he operates SSB only mainly on 20, 17 and 15 metres. QSL via JE1LET, direct only. [TNX The Daily DX]
- EA8 Special event station EG8TRV will be active from 18 April to 9 May to promote Transvulcanica 2015, the long distance mountain race that crosses the island of La Palma, Canary Islands. QSL via EA8URA, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Log search on Club Log.
- EK Look for EK/DL7UCX and EK/DK7AO to be active from Armenia from 23 April to 5 May. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-10 metres. QSL via LoTW (preferably), otherwise via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]
- GM A team from the Kilmarnock and Loudoun Amateur Radio Club will be active as MM0KLR from the Isle of Muck (EU-008) from 26 April to 2 May. QSL via MM0KLR (bureau) or MM0GHM (direct). [TNX rsgbiota.org]
- J5 Livio, IZ3BUR has been active as J52HF from Guinea-Bissau since 11 April, and will remain there until the 30th. He is QRV in his spare time, mainly on 20, 15, 10 and 6 metres SSB and PSK31. The log will be uploaded to Club Log (with OQRS) when he returns home. Inquiries about QSOs and QSLs to veronadxteam[@]gmail.com.
- MJ JERSEY. Kazunori, M0CFW/JK3GAD, will be active as MJ5Z during the CQ WPX CW Contest (May 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry.

QSL via LoTW or via M0CFW. Look for activity before and after the contest using the callsign MJ0CFW. QSL also "ok" via OQRS.

# One last article of great interest but no date set yet. We all look forward to this one.

KH5, PALMYRA ATOLL (Press Release #1, April 18th)[edited]. Craig/K9CT) and Lou/N2TU are proud to announce a DXpedition to Palmyra Atoll. Palmyra (KH5) ranks in the top ten on the Most Wanted List and #2 in Europe.

After many months of negotiations with US Fish and Wildlife and The Nature Conservancy, the Palmyra Island DXpedition Group has been awarded permission to activate Cooper Island in the Palmyra Atoll during January 2016.

Craig is a veteran of many of the "Most Wanted" DXpeditions. He co-led Sint Maarten and Swains, and operated from Conway Reef, Midway, Cocos Island, Wake Atoll and Amsterdam Island. Lou was a member of the Swains Team and led the Wake Atoll Commemoration. Craig and Lou have just returned from the Navassa Island K1N DXpedition.

A team of 12 highly experienced operators and veterans of many DXpeditions has been formed. Team members include Craig/K9CT, Lou/N2TU, Jerry/WB9Z, Tom/ND2T, Mike/K9NW, Ralph/K0IR, John/K6MM, Bob/K4UEE, Hal/W8HC, Dick/W3OA, Jim/N9TK, and Glenn/W0GJ.

They plan to operate five stations over a 14 day period, 160 to 6 meters on all modes, using a call sign to be announced at a later date.

Critical to major DXpeditions are the immediate, up-front commitment costs. INDEXA and NCDXF have been most generous in their support of Palmyra 2016 and this support is sincerely appreciated.

Logistical support for this operation is being provided by Kimo/KH7U and Don/N1DG. Joe/W8GEX and Janet/W8CAA have volunteered to assist the team in fund raising. Their experience in this area is highly valued.

Our website, <Palmyra2016.org>, developed by team member John, K6MM, will provide updates as they become available. The Donation page of the website is currently active. The group will also have an OQRS link on the website for easy QSLing.

Wishing you all good DX and	<b>7</b> 3
Larry, WB2UFO	

Dear Troops, We really appreciate your service. We know you are over there making it possible for us to be home over here living our days in safety. Your self-sacrifice to do this reminds us of Christ who was willing to leave His heavenly home to come to earth, suffer and die, and rise again for us. May He bless you in a special way and give you great blessings and protection!





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